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SUBJECT: MAJOR BERHANU BAYEH TO HEAD "DIALOGUE TEAM"

REF: ADDIS ABABA 5955 (DTG 181135Z MAY 76)

1. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA OF JULY 16 ANNOUNCED THAT MAJOR BERHANU BAYEH, CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGAL COMMITTEE OF THE DIRG, WILL HEAD "HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUE TEAM" ENTRUSTED WITH TASK OF IMPLEMENTING 9-POINT POLICY DECLARATION ON PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO ERITREAN PROBLEM.

2. IN ANNOUNCING THE DECISION, GOVT NOTED THAT A HIGH-LEVEL TEAM HAS BEEN IN ASMARA SINCE MID-APRIL ATTEMPTING TO CARRY OUT THIS TASK. PMAC FAILED MENTION, HOWEVER, THAT THE LATE MAJOR SISAY HABTE HAD BEEN THE HEAD OF THIS DELEGATION.

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3. GOVT ANNOUNCEMENT REAFFIRMED THAT EFFORTS WILL CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT PMAC'S 9-POINT POLICY DECLARATION CONTAINED REFTTEL.

4. COMMENT: GOVT ANNOUNCEMENT CONSISTENTLY REFERRED TO THIS GROUP AS "DIALOGUE TEAM" AS OPPOSED TO NEGOTIATORS. MAJOR BERHANU HAS OFTEN BEEN TASKED WITH LEADING FOREIGN MISSIONS TO EXPLAIN DIRG POLICIES, ESPECIALLY IN ERITREA. FOR EXAMPLE, IN EARLY JUNE HE TRAVELED TO EIGHT ARAB COUNTRIES FOR THIS REASON AND TO GAIN ARAB SUPPORT FOR EPMG POLICIES.  
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